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SUBJECT: NTI TRAINING COURSE FOR THAILAND

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1. ON MARCH 23, IN THE PRESENCE OF SENIOR OFFICERS OF THE THAI NATIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT AMBASSADOR LEONARD UNGER PERSONALLY PRESENTED BNDD DIPLOMAS TO THE 61. POLICE OFFICERS WHO SUCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE TWO WEEK NTI TRAINING COURSE. IN ADDITION TO STUDENTS FROM CRIME SUPPRESSION DIVISION(INCLUDING TF#23) THE COURSE ALSO HAD REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BORDER POLICE AND THE METROPOLITAN POLICE, TWO OTHER UNITS OF THE TNPD WHICH HAVE SHOWN AN INCREASINGLY EFFECTIVE INTEREST IN NARCOTICS SUPPRESSION.

2. ON MARCH 16 CERTIFICATES WERE PRESENTED TO 104 STUDENTS WHO ATTENDED THE ONE WEEK DRUG IDENTIFICATION COURSE GIVEN CONCURRENTLY BY THE NTI TEAM. THESE STUDENTS WHERE DRAWN FROM THE CUSTOMS EXCISEN AND PUBLIC HEALTH ELEMENTS OF THE RTG, AS WELL AS THE EDUCATION BUREAU OF THE TNPD. THE STUDENT BODY ALSO INCLUDED SIX EMPLOYEES OF AIR AMERICA AND FOUR KOM CONTINENTAL AIR SERVICE.

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3. IN A NUMBER OF TALKS WITH THE STUDENTS I WAS IMPRESSED WITH THE FACT THAT BOTH THE PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND THE ENTHUSIASM OF THE NTI TRAINING TEAM WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE THAI DURING BOTH COURSES. MY CONGRATULATIONS AND THANKS TO COORDINATOR JOSEPH HALEY AND THE SPECIAL AGENTS ON THE TEAM FOR THEIR SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION IN UPGRADING GENERALLY THE LEVEL OF THAI AWARENESS AND CAPABILITY FOR NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT.
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